

## GENERAL FUND

### 2021 Revenue Sources

Sales Tax	\$35,522,013	46.9%
Charges for Services	\$12,723,599	16.8%
Property Taxes	\$ 9,700,602	12.8%
Intergovernmental	\$ 7,786,421	10.3%
Investment Income	\$ 1,043,954	1.4%
Licenses & Permits	\$ 1,768,110	2.3%
Other Revenues	\$ 1,331,752	1.8%
Fines & Forfeitures	\$ 985,322	1.3%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$70,861,772</b>	<b>93.5%</b>
Non-Operating	\$ 4,898,636	6.5%
<b>Total General Fund Revenues</b>	<b>\$75,760,408</b>	<b>100%</b>

### 2021 Expenses by Function

Criminal Justice	\$26,728,912	42.1%
Judicial Services	\$14,271,487	22.5%
General Government	\$12,683,438	20.0%
Public Safety	\$ 4,773,606	7.5%
Health & Human Services	\$ 2,692,055	4.2%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$61,149,498</b>	<b>96.3%</b>
Non-Operating	\$ 2,350,657	3.7%
<b>Total General Fund Expenses</b>	<b>\$63,500,155</b>	<b>100%</b>

### General Fund Operating Revenue Growth\*

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
General Fund	\$50.49	\$53.16	\$55.53	\$56.61	\$57.57	\$60.71	\$61.89	\$70.86
Operating Revenues								

\*Shown in millions

The General Fund is the largest discretionary source of funds in the county, and finances 20 of 21 elected offices in Clermont County.

## FROM THE COMMISSIONERS



Claire Corcoran  
President



David Painter  
Vice President



Bonnie Batchler  
County Commissioner

In 2021, a sense of normalcy returned, albeit with the threat of COVID-19 variants seemingly looming at all times. Many people returned to their workplaces, while others continued to work from home. Sporting events (with fans in the stands), festivals, parades and other activities took place after a year's absence.

We're proud of the county employees who continued to demonstrate innovation, flexibility and dedication during these extraordinary times.

A huge thanks goes out to Public Health and the Emergency Management Agency for spearheading the far-reaching response to the pandemic. Read more here: <https://bit.ly/3Gd4iMu>

We're proud of the work our many departments do each and every day. For example, Water Resources produced an average of 13.57 million gallons per day. The Department of Job and Family Services collected \$34 million in child support, provided 15,000 people with food assistance, and finalized 24 adoptions.

County workers in numerous departments and agencies served the public with admirable dedication and enthusiasm. We're grateful for their efforts to make Clermont County a great place to live, work and play.



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# 2021 MONTHLY MILESTONES

JANUARY

## **Batchler joins Board of County Commissioners; Corcoran elected President**

New Commissioner Bonnie Batchler brought 19 years of experience as a Pierce Township trustee, the previous eight as president of the Clermont County Township Association. Her background also includes a 14-year stint as the EMS Chief of the Pierce Township Volunteer Fire Department. Meanwhile, Claire Corcoran was elected President of the Board of County Commissioners.

## **Painter becomes president of OKI Board of Directors**

Commissioner David Painter was approved as president of the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI) Board of Directors. OKI is a council of local governments, business organizations and community groups committed to developing collaborative strategies, plans and programs to improve the quality of life and economic development potential of the Tri-State. "OKI has a national reputation for providing cutting-edge transportation solutions to our growing 21st Century mobility problems," Painter said.



FEBRUARY

## **Commissioners OK program to help with rent, utility payments**

Clermont County residents who had fallen behind on rent and utility payments due to the pandemic got financial help through a new program. The Board of County Commissioners approved a Clermont County Job and Family Services' contract with Clermont County Community Services to administer the Emergency Rental Assistance Fund. The program helped many families through difficult times.



## **Office of Environmental Quality celebrates 25th year**

The Clermont County Office of Environmental Quality was founded in 1996, a year when Clermont County was experiencing rapid growth. In response, the county developed a wastewater master plan to ensure that growth and development occurred in a sustainable manner. The East Fork Little Miami River watershed is now regarded as one of the most comprehensive and effective watershed management programs throughout Ohio.

MARCH

## **Nestlé Purina plant receives growth award**

The \$550-million Nestlé Purina PetCare plant in Williamsburg Township was recognized by REDI Cincinnati, the region's economic development organization, with the prestigious James A. Wuenker Growth Award. Clermont County Community and Economic Development nominated the project for the award, which is given annually for the region's most-impressive projects. On Oct. 26, 2020, Clermont County, JobsOhio, REDI Cincinnati and Nestlé Purina announced plans for Nestlé Purina to locate its first new, ground-up manufacturing facility in North America in nearly 45 years.



APRIL

## **Signage helps decrease recycling contamination**

A year of alternating signage at Pattison Park conveying messages to promote proper recycling — such as no plastic bags, empty contents of plastic bags, no garbage, flatten and empty cardboard boxes — decreased contamination by nearly a third. Preliminary calculations estimated a decrease from 41-percent contamination in 2020 to an estimate of 10-percent contamination. "We saw very little illegal dumping this time and most contamination appeared to be a misunderstanding of which plastics are accepted," said Hannah Lubbers, director of the Adams-Clermont Solid Waste District.



MAY

## **COVID-19 vaccinations, food deliveries help many**

Public Health and the Emergency Management Agency (EMA) led the effort to respond to COVID-19. They coordinated resources and shared information with local public safety partners and provided support to individuals and families in isolation/quarantine. EMA worked with the United Way and local food pantries to provide more than 105 food deliveries. Public Health provided vaccinations.

JUNE

## **Commissioners end State of Emergency; thousands vaccinated**

The Board of County Commissioners ended a State of Emergency that had been declared on March 18, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The action was taken in concert with State of Ohio, which ended its State of Emergency. Meanwhile, Clermont County Public Health and the county's Emergency Management Agency spearheaded a massive vaccination program. Thousands were vaccinated at sites throughout the county, including schools, medical offices and Public Health.



JULY

## **Public Health & EMA recognized for Covid-19 Response**

In July, the Clermont County Chamber of Commerce recognized Clermont County Public Health and Emergency Management Agency (EMA) for their response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Both agencies worked tirelessly to address the needs of residents, public safety partners, and local communities. The year started with encouraging news as vaccines were administered to healthcare workers and public safety partners. With the high demand and low vaccine supply, EMA established a call center to answer questions and get residents registered for the vaccine waitlist. The first public vaccine clinic for residents 80 and older was on Jan. 21. As the vaccine supply increased and eligibility expanded, Public Health partnered with UC Clermont College to open a mass vaccination site. The new site could accommodate up to 750 people per day. To expand access, Public Health and EMA worked to identify community-based vaccine locations to make it more convenient for residents to get vaccinated throughout the county. Some of these locations included fire stations, community buildings, schools, and private businesses. Clermont County Public Health vaccinated more than 40,000 individuals ranging in age from 5 to 102.

AUGUST

## **Commissioners approve CDBG Action Plan**

Proposed projects such as fire station improvements, sidewalk construction and septic/sewer remediation were included in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2021. The Board of County Commissioners adopted the \$1.1 million program, which helps maintain a great quality of life in Clermont County.



SEPTEMBER



## **Nearly 5,000 tires collected during Amnesty Days**

Tire Amnesty Days on Sept. 26-27 was a big success, with more than 325 people participating. Almost 5,000 tires were collected as part of continuing efforts to keep Clermont County beautiful. The event was sponsored by an OEPA Recycle Ohio grant and was hosted by Jackson Township.

OCTOBER

## **Land Bank created to reduce blight, improve quality of life**

The Board of County Commissioners strengthened Clermont County's ability to address distressed properties, improve safety and elevate quality of life by voting to create the Clermont County Land Bank. The quasi-government entity will work to return derelict, abandoned and non-tax producing properties back to the market by remediating issues that make them undesirable. Numerous local municipalities, townships and community leaders expressed enthusiastic support for a Land Bank in Clermont County. A land bank helps reduce blight, improve the quality of life, reduce fire and police calls, and promote a safer and cleaner neighborhood.



NOVEMBER

## **County and township officials explore planning and zoning topics**

Township trustees and members of zoning commissions, board of zoning appeals and the Clermont County Planning Commission discussed a variety of planning and zoning topics at the first Countywide Township Planning and Zoning Workshop. Guest speakers came from the Clermont County Department of Community & Economic Development, Goshen Township, Miami Township and Pierce Township. These folks work hard to ensure development continues to enhance the experience of those living, visiting and working in Clermont County.



DECEMBER

## **Technological advances revolutionize emergency response**

New technology allows Clermont County to take emergency calls and dispatch help with speed and precision undreamed of just a few years ago. "It has revolutionized 911," said Dominick Daulton, program administrator, Department of Public Safety Services. "It's truly impressive." The department implemented RapidSOS in 2018 to provide more accurate location of 911 callers. The free technology uses GPS from cell phones. The upgrades keep coming, too. RapidSOS Alerts started in 2021, with home alarm companies being able to send supplemental alerts through the RapidSOS Portal sometimes minutes before a phone call from the monitoring center.

